

In the outstanding Official Action, the Examiner indicated that the application contains claims directed to the following patentably distinct species:

Specie I, as shown in Fig. 2A-2B, directed towards an apparatus having means for flushing comprising a fluid chamber and a means for interrupting comprising an inward protrusion;

Specie II, as shown in Fig. 4A-4B, directed towards an apparatus having means for flushing comprising a compression member and a means for interrupting comprising an inward protrusion;

Specie III, as shown in Fig. 5A-5D, directed towards an apparatus having means for flushing and a means for interrupting comprising a first and second rollers attached to a handle actuating means;

Specie IV, as shown in Fig. 6A-6C, directed towards an apparatus having means for flushing and a means for interrupting comprising a first and second rollers attached to first and second arcuate springs actuating means;

Specie V, as shown in Fig. 5A-5D, directed towards an apparatus having means for flushing and means for interrupting comprising a single roller acting as the actuation means; and

Specie VI, as shown in Fig. 9, directed towards an apparatus comprising a handle; electrical means for flushing and

electrical means for interrupting communicating with an electrical supply means.

The Examiner indicated that Applicants are required under 35 USC 121 to elect a single disclosed species for prosecution on the merits to which the claims shall be restricted if no generic claim is finally held to be allowable.

In response, Applicants hereby elect, without prejudice, to prosecute the invention of Specie I, Figs. 2A-2B. Applicants believe that claims 1-8, 20-22, 37, 39-45 and 47 are readable on the elected specie.

Thank you.

Respectfully submitted,

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